

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Original) A computerized method for managing router metadata, the method comprising:

creating a metadata file, said metadata file defining objects in a router;

reading the metadata file;

converting the metadata file into an object model having at least one object; and

loading the objects onto the router.

2. (Original) The computerized method of claim 1, wherein loading the objects onto the router loads the objects into an SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol) MIB (Management Information Base).